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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL Address to: Commissioner for Patents Box RCE Washington, DC 20231	Application Number	09/927,788
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	First Named Inventor	Michael J. MAHAR
	Group Art Unit	1645
	Examiner Name	V. Portner
	Attorney Docket No.	220002060724

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

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1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply (7 pages)
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Other 1) Fee Transmittal (1 page in duplicate)
2) Return receipt postcard

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17 (e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 03-1952
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed
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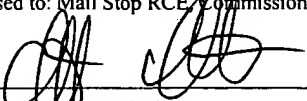
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In the application of:

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Serial No.: 09/927,788

Filing Date: August 9, 2001

For: BACTERIA WITH ALTERED DNA
ADENINE METHYLASE (DAM)
ACTIVITY AND HETEROLOGOUS
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Examiner: V. Portner

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

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Dear Sir:

This Amendment and Response accompanies a Request for Continued Examination and is filed in response to the final Office Action dated February 21, 2003 (Paper No. 16) for which a response is due on April 21, 2003 and for which a one month extension of time is also requested to extend the time for response from May 21, 2003 to June 21, 2003. Accordingly, this Amendment and Response is timely filed. Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: